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Asthma

(Data are for U.S. for year in parentheses)

Morbidity

- Number of noninstitutionalized adults who were diagnosed and still have asthma: 14 million (2001)
- Percent of noninstitutionalized adults who were diagnosed and still have asthma: 6.9 (2001)

Source: **Summary Health Statistics for U.S. Adults, 2001**

- Number of noninstitutionalized children who were diagnosed and still have asthma: 6.3 million (2001)
- Percent of noninstitutionalized children who were diagnosed and still have asthma: 8.7 (2001)
- Number of children who had attack in past year: 4.3 million (2001)
- Percent of children who had attack in past year: 5.7 (2001)

Source: **Summary Health Statistics for U.S. Children, 2001**

Health care use

Ambulatory care

- Number of visits to office-based physicians: 11.3 million (2001)

Source: **National Ambulatory Medical Care Survey: 2001 Summary**

- Number of hospital outpatient department visits: 1.3 million (2001)

Source: **National Hospital Ambulatory Medical Care Survey: 2001 Outpatient Department Summary**

- Number of hospital emergency department visits: 1.9 million (2002)

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Source: **National Hospital Ambulatory Medical Care Survey: 2002 Emergency Department Summary**

Mortality

- Number of deaths: 4,269 (2001)
- Deaths per 100,000: 1.5 (2001)

Source: **Deaths: Final Data for 2001**

More data

- **Asthma prevalence, health care use and mortality (2000-2001)**
- Frequencies and percents of noninstitutionalized adults with selected respiratory diseases by age, sex, and race/ethnicity **Summary Health Statistics for U.S. Adults, 2001, tables 3, 4**
- Frequencies and percents of children with asthma by age, sex, and race/ethnicity **Summary Health Statistics for U.S. Children, 2001, table 1**
- Rates of discharges and days of care in short-stay hospitals by sex and age: 1990-2001 **Health, United States 2003, table 92**
- Discharges and average length of stay in short-stay hospitals by age and sex: 1990-2001 **Health, United States 2003, table 93**

Related links

- **National Ambulatory Medical Care Survey**
- **National Health Interview Survey**
- **National Hospital Ambulatory Medical Care Survey**
- **Mortality data**
- **National Center for Environmental Health, National Asthma Control Program, CDC**
- **National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion**
- **American Lung Association**
- **Global Initiative for Asthma**

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